

Systems Integration and Alignment Committee, Special Education Subcommittee meeting

Monday, April 29, 2013

1:00pm-3:00pm

33 W Monroe, Chicago IL, 15th floor - Training Room North

Conference number 888-494-4032

Participant code 719 851 8485#

On the phone: Madelyn James, Lynette Chandler, Kim Nelson, Kathy Slattery, Evelyn Green, Julie Evans, Pam Reising-Rechner, Christine Wheeler, Susan Fowler, Chelsea Guillen

In person: Theresa Hawley, Amy Tarr, Karen Berman, Tameeka Christian, Granada Williams, Cerathel Burnett, Gail Nelson, Dennice Ward-Epstein, Amy Zimmerman, Laura Sexton

Meeting Notes

I. Introductions and Updates (1:00-1:15pm)

Attendance was taken and introductions were made.

II. Theresa Hawley (1:15-1:30pm)

Theresa joined the meeting, and the subcommittee discussed how the current professional development available to child-care providers is inadequate to support and prepare providers on how to best include children with special education needs. In addition, the current QRIS does not require that all staff receive training.

III. Level 5 Award of Excellence and other special education QRIS implementation issues (1:30-2:15pm)

This subcommittee will develop recommendations around the Level 5 Award of Excellence for Special Education. The group will also compile a list of the professional development opportunities and other special education trainings that are currently available, in order to assess how they can be improved upon both in content and structure.

IV. Developmental Screening and QRIS (2:15-2:30pm)

V. New business (2:30-2:45)

VI. Next Steps (2:45-3:00pm)

Send all special education training resources to Karen Berman, and those resources will be compiled on a share drive.

Karen will also reach out to Beth Knight from INCCRRA and invite her to our next meeting.

Hand-outs: Meeting agenda, QRIS Levels 1-4, and draft Level 5 for special education